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City of Lincoln Appointment Application

The purpose of this form is to obtain general information for use in the nomination and confirmation process for appointments by the Mayor and to assist the Mayor in making inquiries concerning the qualifications of applicants for appointments. If you have recently prepared a biography or resume, PLEASE ATTACH IT TO THIS FORM.

Complete both sides and return to: Mayor's Office, 555 South 10th Street, Lincoln NE 68508. FAX: 441-7120

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME (please type or print last name, first name, and middle initial)

Mr. Ms. Miss. Mrs. GAYLOR BAIRD, LEIRION

1932 S. 24th STREET, LINCOLN, NE 68502 LANCASTER
 Legal Residence Street City State Zip County

Business Address Street City State Zip County

Residence Telephone (402) 474-9727 Business Telephone ()

Applicant Occupation FULL-TIME PARENT Employer

E-mail Address leirion@aya.yale.edu

To assist in the selection, you are asked to voluntarily provide information which is necessary for statistical reporting purposes. Under State and Federal Law, this information may not be used to discriminate against you.

Affirmative Action Information: Sex Male Female Racial/Ethnic Background CAUCASIAN

EDUCATION

Schools attended including High School

School	Location	Dates	Major/Degree
WILSON HIGH	PORTLAND, OR	9/85 - 6/89	
YALE COLLEGE	NEW HAVEN, CT	9/89 - 5/93	B.A. - HISTORY
UNIV. of OXFORD	OXFORD, ENGLAND	10/96 - 6/97	M.Sc. - CSK

PRESENT OR PREVIOUS COMMUNITY/VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

— please see resumé —

EMPLOYMENT

Employer Location Dates

— please see resumé —

Type the number in order of preference if selecting more than one

CITY OF LINCOLN

City Boards, Task Forces & Commissions

*Please check City boards, task forces or commissions for which you would like to be considered for appointment.
Please number your selections in order of interest.*

ADMINISTRATION

- Emergency Medical Services Board
- Lincoln City Library Board
- Lincoln Electric System Administrative Board
- Lincoln Housing Authority Board
- City Personnel Board

BUILDING & SAFETY

- Building Code Board of Appeals
- Code Study Committee
 - Building Code Task Force
 - Electrical Code Task Force
 - Mechanical Code Task Force
 - Plumbing Code Task Force
 - Uniform Code Task Force
- Dangerous Building Code Board of Appeals
- Electrical Advisory, Appeals & Examining Board
- Examining Board of Plumbers
- Fire Sprinkler & Chemical Examining Board
- Gas Piping Exam Board
- Heating, Ventilating & Cooling Advisory & Appeals Board
- Heating, Ventilating & Cooling Examiners Board
- Housing Advisory & Appeals Board
- Plumbing Code Board of Appeals
- Uniform Fire Code Board of Appeals
- Water Conditioning Board of Examiners

ENVIRONMENT

- Air Pollution Advisory Board
- Water Conservation Task Force

GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES

- Auditorium Advisory Board
- Cable Advisory Board
- Charter Revision Commission
- Government Access & Information Committee
- Workforce Investment Act Board
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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

- Community Health Endowment Board of Trustees
- Commission on Human Rights
- Lincoln Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council
- Lincoln-Lancaster Women's Commission
- Lincoln-Lancaster County Board of Health

PARKS & RECREATION

- Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
- Community Forestry Advisory Board
- Veterans Memorial Gardens Council

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

- Board of Zoning Appeals
- Community Development Task Force
- Downtown Business Area Improvement Board
- Economic Development Loan Committee
- Historic Preservation Commission
- Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Commission
- Nebraska Capital Environs Commission
- Urban Design Committee

TRANSPORTATION

- StarTran Advisory Board
- Taxicab Review Board
- Pedestrian/Bicycle Advisory Committee

OTHER

- Citizen Handicapped Parking Patrol
- Citizen Police Advisory Board
- Mayor's Committee for International Friendship
- Mayor's Multicultural Advisory Committee
- Relocation Assistance Appeal Board
- Procurement Appeals Board

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EDUCATION

- 1996-1997 **UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD** Oxford, England
Master of Sciences (MSc) in Comparative Social Research and Social Policy, July 1997
- Rotary Scholarship received to support study.
 - Thesis: *The Parental Leave Debates: A U.K.-U.S. Comparison.*
 - Coursework included education and childcare policy, and comparative welfare state development.
- 1989-1993 **YALE UNIVERSITY** New Haven, Connecticut
Bachelor of Arts in History, May 1993
- Graduated *magna cum laude* with *Distinction in the Major.*
 - Three-time recipient of Georges C. St. Laurent Scholarship awarded in recognition of past and present academic achievements, extracurricular activities, and promise as a member of the Yale community.
 - Senior Class Council Representative.

EXPERIENCE

- 2000-2002 **Boys & Girls Club of the Peninsula's CENTER FOR A NEW GENERATION** Menlo Park & East Palo Alto, California
Director
- 1 Designed educational experiences to prepare 100 elementary and middle school students for entrance into and success in college preparatory high school classes.
 - 2 Recruited, selected, and supervised two full-time and twenty-one part-time staff.
 - 3 Quadrupled attendance at Parent Workshops.
 - 4 Developed evaluation plan and recruited Stanford Ph.D. student volunteer to conduct a program evaluation.
 - 5 Established new collaborations with seven college prep programs, public and private schools, and consultants.
 - 6 Devised new program-wide curriculum and taught 5th grade Language Arts.
- 1997-1999 **MAYOR'S OFFICE OF FINANCE & LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS** San Francisco, California
Fiscal and Policy Analyst
- 7 Analyzed and negotiated the budgets of and made fiscal policy recommendations to the Mayor for fourteen city departments with expenditures totaling over \$200 million. Departments included Children, Youth and Families, the San Francisco Unified School District, the Public Library, Recreation and Parks, and the Fine Arts Museums.
 - 8 Provided analysis and support for the \$4.5 million budget increase for the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to expand children's services.
 - 9 Experience included mayoral advance work.
- 1995-1996 **LEADERSHIP, EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS IN PARTNERSHIP (LEAP)** New Haven, Connecticut
Director of Development
- 1 Directed and managed successful efforts to raise \$1.5 million for Connecticut's largest non-profit youth development program, an AmeriCorps site that served over 1,000 African-American and Latino youth.
 - 2 Directed the Visitors' Program, organized special events, wrote grant proposals, established a quarterly newsletter, produced the annual report, worked closely with Board of Directors, and compiled program statistics for evaluation.
 - 1 Collaborated with Children's Defense Fund to develop LEAP's fiscal and marketing strategies.
- 1993-1995 **A.T. KEARNEY MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS** Chicago, Illinois & New York, New York
Business Analyst
- Re-engineered a print media production process, developed RFP's, performed cost-benefit analyses, conducted industry research, and facilitated client meetings for the largest remodeling effort in retail history.

HONORS/ACTIVITIES

- Yale Alumni Schools Committee, coordinate and conduct interviews of Lincoln-area applicants to Yale. 2005-2007

- **Friends of the Lincoln Children's Museum**, help organize annual silent auction benefit. 2004-2007
- **Friends of Pioneers Park Nature Center Board**, volunteer Board member. 2005-2006
- **Friendship Home**, volunteer Co-Chair of Annual (fundraising) Campaign for battered women's shelter. 2005
- **Buffalo, MN Triathlon**, completed Olympic distance triathlon to raise \$12,000 for displaced persons in Darfur. 2006
- **Cornhusker State Games Triathlon**, completed sprint distance triathlon. 2006
- **Fulbright Scholarship National Finalist and Alternate**, designated for South Africa. 1999
- **Overseas Research Scholarship**, awarded by the U.K. government. 1997
- **Rotary Scholarship**, received to support study at the University of Oxford. 1996-1997
- **Rhodes Scholarship State Finalist**, Oregon. 1994
- **San Francisco Education Fund**, member of Executive Committee that organizes annual benefit. 1998-1999
- **Stand for Children**, Commitment Crew Volunteer, Washington, D.C. 1996
- **Minds Matter Mentoring Program**, Team Leader and Mentor, New York, New York, 1993-1995.
- **Additional Athletics - Crew: Oxford-New College Women's First VIII 1997; Silver Medal Team, State Games of Oregon 1990; Yale Women's Crew 1989-1990. Basketball: College Intramural Women's Team Captain 1992, 1993.**